prepare Horses and all other furniture as if the enemy were expected within fifteen days There is likewise speech of a camp to be raised at Tilbury., the Lord Admiral to be General, and the Lord Thomas Howard to have charge of the navy

IRISH NEWS

We have almost nothing out of Ireland , and many men marvel that my Lord of Essex hath spent so much time and done so little He is now at Dublin, but yet hath one fortnight's journey more about those parts before he draw toward the North There is a meaning that Sir Conyers Clifford should go to Lough Foyle with 3,000 men and *Sir* Thomas Norns with as many to Ballyshannon, and so to hedge Tyrone on all sides, who fortifies himself altogether in his places, and they say hath quit the Blackwater My Lord hath lately made 16 knights, for what service is unknown, but belike it is *de bene esse*^ in hope they will deserve it hereafter My Lord's decimating Sir Harry Haring-ton's companies is much descanted of, and not greatly liked, though in some opinions never men deserved it better, for first they were more than double the number of the rebels, then the enemy left his strength and assaulted them in the plain, which in all reason was our advantage , lastly we had horse and they had none Sir Harry himself is referred over to be censured here

yd August INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE LORD BURLEIGH

Upon his appointment as Lord President at York the Lord Burleigh is instructed to have an extraordinary care to remedy the disobedience and abuses that have crept into those parts He shall examine the state of the forces and see that they are not left in the hands of persons of small ability who

might be bribed to neglect their charges, nor of those notoriously affected to popery, and also that Captains and muster-masters do not make unlawful gain of the country He must reform and correct that abundant falling away from religion, and stir up the Ecclesiastical Commissioners, who dispense with faults as though the laws were instituted not for punishment but for their enriching, for within the last five or six years whole parishes have grown recusant, and through toleration and negligence wilful papists are unpunished and authority abused